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MEMORANDUM FOR: NIS Chapter IX Contributors

SUBJECT: Large, medium, and small scales

1. The NIS Committee on 17 December 1957 approved a proposal that the terms large, medium, and small scales be defined for NIS purposes as follows:

large scale -- 1:75,000 and larger

medium scale -- larger than 1:600,000 but smaller than 1:1,000,000

small scale -- 1:600,000 and smaller

2. Since 18 April 1955 (Chapter IX Memo No. 13), the definition of these terms for Chapter IX purposes has been as follows:

large scale -- 1:100,000 and larger

medium scale -- between 1:100,000 and 1:1,000,000

small scale -- 1:1,000,000 and smaller

3. To insure that the new definitions will be uniformly applied within a given Chapter IX and Section 19, it has been agreed that they should be put into effect with the Chapter IX for NIS 102 and the Section 19 of NIS 45, and be used in all Chapters IX and Sections 19 thereafter. Studies that appear earlier on the schedule are at various stages of completion; for these studies the earlier definitions will be used.

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